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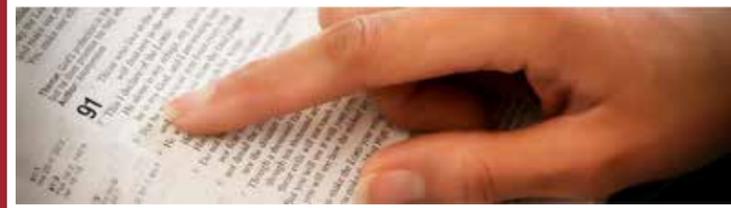
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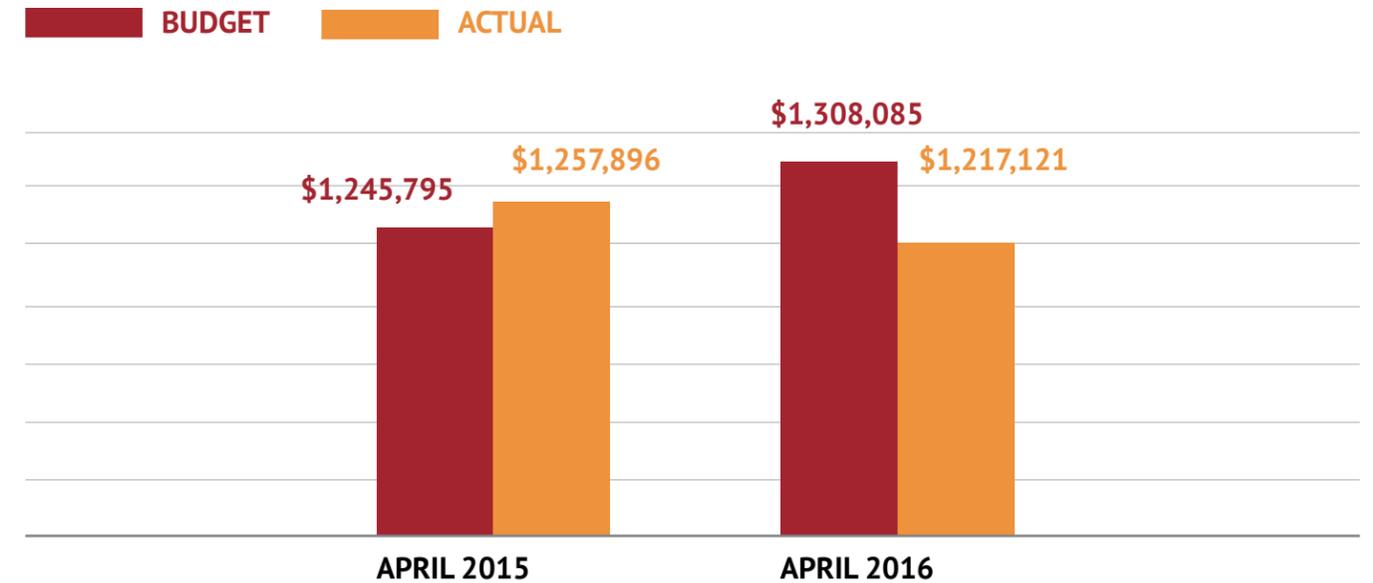
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GIVING REPORT



The Great American Bible Project

C. John Steer

Autumn Ridge is engaged in Three Years of Truth (2015-2018). The theme for our first year is “Embrace the Truth” when we are looking at the importance of scripture. We are encouraging daily Bible reading, Bible memorization, and studying The Story of Scripture in our weekend messages. So it is appropriate that 2016 is the 200th anniversary of the American Bible Society (ABS). This amazing organization was founded on May 11, 1816 in New York. It was based on two convictions.

First, that the Bible is the word of God with a salvation message. Therefore, it must be distributed widely in the common language of the people. Second, that believers have a God-given mandate to strive to build a Christian society in the United States and around the world.

The Bible Society was started by people who were committed to the word of God and to the end of slavery. It was the vision of three great Americans. John Jay, the first Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, believed that peace could only be achieved by sharing the gospel. He partnered with Elias Boudinot, who had been President of the Continental Congress, and with John Quincy Adams, our sixth President,

to bring the Bible Society into being. Elias Boudinot was the first president of the Society. He was followed by John Jay. Francis Scott Key, the writer of our national anthem, was vice president of the ABS from 1817 until his death in 1843.

The Bible Society began by giving Bibles to the American military in 1817. Later it provided pocket Bibles for the soldiers during the Civil War. It was the first to place Bibles in hotels. It gave Bibles to Pony Express riders in 1861. In 1934 the ABS made the first audio Bible.

From the beginning, the ABS has been involved in improving biblical accuracy and translation. It organized groups of scholars to ensure that the text of scripture is as pure as possible. In 1818 they translated the Bible into Lenape, a language of Native Americans. By 1912 the Society was issuing Bibles in 83 different languages. In 1842 they provided the first Bibles for the blind. In 1976 they completed The Good News Translation.

The leaders of the ABS recognized that following a tragedy, people are in particular need of the peace and strength that the Bible brings. In the aftermath of the September 11 attacks,

the Society distributed more than one million scriptures and offered free downloadable portions to those impacted by the tragedy. In 2005 they sent nearly a million Bibles and scripture portions to those who survived the devastation of Hurricane Katrina. They formed a partnership with Habitat for Humanity to give free Bibles to each of its new homeowners in the United States. The ABS headquarters is now in Philadelphia, where it houses the largest collection of Bibles in the Western Hemisphere and a number of interesting and valuable editions of ancient and historic Bibles dating back to Gutenberg.

In 2004 Mariano Rivera, an accomplished pitcher for the New York Yankees, began speaking to the Hispanic community about the importance of Bible reading as part of the American Bible Society’s La Biblia es mi Guía (The Bible is My Guide) campaign. Andrew Hood, the Director of Communications for the ABS, said, “We have a ten year goal of seeing a hundred million people in the United States experience the transforming power of the Bible by engaging with it. Whether a politician or a preacher, a truck driver or a teacher, all can have their lives positively changed by God’s word.”

When we called the American Bible Society to ask how many scriptures they had distributed in the past 200 years, they said they had lost count. The number is in the millions, if not the billions. In the last century, the ABS printed scriptures in China. By 1934 they had distributed seventy million copies of scripture there. So as we sing “Happy Birthday!” to our country’s Bible Society, we thank God for the power and the peace his word gives us. It was D.L. Moody who said, “The study of God’s word brings peace to the heart. In it, we find a light for every darkness, the promise of our Lord’s return, and the assurance of everlasting glory.”



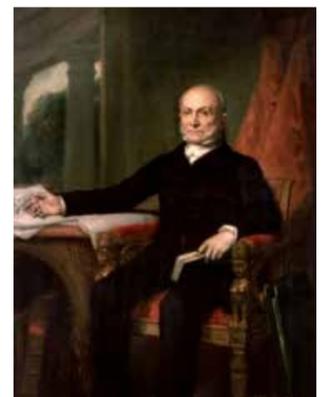
ELIAS BOUDINOT



FRANCIS SCOTT KEY



JOHN JAY



JOHN QUINCY ADAMS

Great ideas for connecting and bringing romance into your marriage don't have to be expensive. The best times for bonding are often free or nearly free because they are usually the result of a lot of creativity! If you are in a rut in finding time for one another, try one of these ideas to fan the flame. Here is a list of free or nearly-free ideas to deepen your relationship.

1. Have a candle light picnic in an unusual location.

2. Go on a photo date, where you snap photos of each other all over the city. You may want to frame your favorite snapshot and give it to your spouse with a note. The others can be sent as texts to each other over the next year.

3. Walk or bicycle to an inexpensive ice cream shop or a coffeehouse.

4. Drive in the country, arriving in time for a sunset.

5. Go to a park, push each other on the swings, and talk. Take turns listing the reasons you love your spouse.

6. Walk the mall or Sam's or Costco. The goal is not to buy, but to sample and talk along the way.

7. Have a squirt gun or water fight in the yard.

8. Write clues on cards and place them around town, then take your love on a car rally or treasure hunt. The date consists of gathering clues and small romantic treasures like poems, chocolates, and other small treats.

9. Read poetry together.

10. Write a song or a poem and perform it for the one you love.

11. Go through old photo albums and yearbooks sharing your story together.

12. Celebrate your married romance. Spend the day in bed. Prepare breakfast ahead and have breakfast in bed. Bring piles of magazines and play soft music. Rest in your love.

Inexpensive Ideas for Great Dates



13. Reminisce over old photo albums or your wedding album. Set the mood by relaxing together and talking by firelight or candlelight. Another option is to have your children play waiter and waitress and serve a romantic dinner, then tell them the story of how you fell in love. After they are in bed, choose one other idea on this list to enjoy.

14. Buy a book on marriage and read it together.

15. Have a family room get away to your favorite place. Decorate, prepare food, and listen to the music of that special place.

16. Turn your patio into a private garden retreat, and enjoy a quiet candle light dinner.

17. Rent an old fashioned romantic movie.

18. Be kids again! Go fly a kite or play some games you are too old to play!

19. Work out together. Go for a jog, bike ride, walk, or visit a gym.

20. Bake something extravagant together. Bonus points if you both help in the cleanup.

21. Play a board game together. A classic like Scrabble is a good conversation starter.

22. Go out dancing in your family room... have fun...no one is watching!

23. Play twenty questions. Each of you think of ten questions you'd love to know the answer to. Try questions like, "If you introduced me to a stranger today, what one thing would you say I do that you really appreciate about me?" or "If money was not a factor, where would you like to go on a romantic getaway?"

24. Go to a solitary place and pray together. Take turns praying and thanking God for one another.

25. Dream about the future together. What does your marriage look like in five, ten, and twenty years. Talk about how you are going to stay in love for these next years.

26. Renew your vows (or write personal vows, if you didn't do that in your original ceremony.) This can be a private affair, or you can invite the children or friends and celebrate.

Remember, it's not the expense of the gift but the thought that counts!

Article written by Dan Farm

Elder Update

Mark Foley

Vision: Proverbs 29:18 "Where there is no vision, the people perish." (KJV)

For years that Proverb had been a key verse to me on the importance of setting direction for ministry and life, until I read it in the ESV translation and was surprised by how different it was translated. I started looking at several other newer translations only to find the King James is one of the few translating it as a future visioning statement. Digging deeper on this, I found a blog from seminary classmate Chris Brauns (ChrisBrauns.com) saying this is one of the most misapplied verses in the Bible! This verse is about using the Word of God (prophetic vision) and its impact on bringing restraint to society, not setting a vision for a church. While looking at the whole of scripture, we see God often gave his people specific visions for the future: the Promised Land, building the temple, Daniel's visions and interpreting kings' dreams, John's visions in Revelation, etc.

In Acts the disciples spent time in prayer asking God for direction at key points and waited for God to provide it in their ministry; likewise the elders and pastors are asking Him for guidance and direction for Autumn Ridge. At our April Elder Board meeting, we spent several hours with Pat Wester leading an exercise to determine a vision for the ministry; Pat had done this with the staff and pastors as well, and when we looked at all of them, we found some common ideas emerging. During April and May, we gathered congregational input through some Focus Groups and will use all this input to create a vision story to share with the congregation, hopefully in July.

PS: Last month I wrote about receiving a letter saying I might have a possible serious medical condition. After testing and consultation with physicians, the outcome is I have a small gene mutation. Nothing serious, just something to monitor.

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Guinea Update

Mary Madden

Maninka

Our Missions Board chose the Maninka of Guinea, West Africa, to be our adopted people group in 1991, in order to make a special effort to take the gospel to the second largest ethnic group in the country. Of the 2 million people, less than 10% have heard the gospel, and just 1% are Christians. Only 35% are literate, so most ministry is done orally using radio programs, CDs, or cell phone SD cards, storytelling, or evangelism. Teaching people to read using the Bible is also accepted.

We support four missionaries in the city of Kankan (population 100,000) to reach the Maninka. Mark and Rae W. direct the Audio Media center producing radio programs and spiritual CDs. Beth R. is a nurse who has a medical/evangelistic ministry to Christian and non-Christian nurses and nursing students. Nathan and Becky K. have a computer/Bible study ministry to college students and young professionals to bring them to Christ, grow them spiritually, and teach them to use computers to get jobs. David and Katie H. are involved in maintenance for the SIM missionaries and evangelism.

Compassion Evangelical Hospital

Hospital Chaplain, Pastor Traore, recently returned from a teaching and preaching trip to areas of Guinea and Cote d'Ivoire. He spoke at the only other Christian hospital in Guinea besides CEH, in churches, and used a loudspeaker to speak outdoors to a large group of those from the major religion. Some of their religious leaders affirmed that he speaks the truth. Praise God that some Maninka were present at some of the places he spoke.

The Gospel is presented to the patients and their families in many ways at the hospital, using daily preaching on the veranda, showing the "Jesus" film while patients wait to be seen, a Christian book stand with literature and Bibles in three languages, and radio broadcasts of music, stories, Bible readings, and sermons. Chaplain Traore visits each patient and offers to pray with them. Follow-up visits are made to patients' homes or places of business in Mamou and surrounding villages. Please continue to pray for the work going on in this very needy part of the world.

Kingdom Legacy Garden

Paul McDonald

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink.."

I had a chance a few weeks ago to have a cup of coffee with a great friend. The conversation turned to what I call "Kingdom Legacy," the encouragement we receive by the Holy Spirit to make a difference in the world for Christ. Recently retired, he talked about his desire to dedicate himself to an endeavor that would make a tangible difference in our community. After batting around some ideas, we discovered a match made in heaven, a farmer at heart who had no land to garden and a congregation with an extra acre or two.

Autumn Ridge Church is blessed to be situated on 60 beautiful and diverse acres. Our campus shares space with ponds, wetlands, and farm fields and, new this spring, a vegetable garden on a grand scale...1 1/2 acres of land dedicated to beans, corn, cabbage, broccoli, peppers, tomatoes, potatoes, onions, and much more.

Oh... and the "Kingdom Legacy" part...all of the bounty of this beautiful garden will be freely given away to those who are hungry, and the church will bear none of the cost.

If you would be interested in joining in the joy of our Kingdom Legacy Garden, simply email

Dirt@AutumnRidgeChurch.org



A Season of Transition

Allen Hightower

“For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.” Ecclesiastes 3:1. The Hightower family is now in a season of transition.

Six years ago, while serving in my tenth year as Director of Choral Studies at my undergraduate alma mater, Sam Houston State University, I accepted an offer from Luther College to join their faculty as Professor of Music and Director of Choral Activities. The decision came out of a deep season of prayer to discern the Lord’s will. Leaving our families and our lives in Texas was very difficult for us, but it brought us into a new season of significant spiritual growth. During our first few months in Decorah, Iowa, my family and I frequently visited Autumn Ridge Church for worship, and we fell in love with this wonderful congregation.

For six deeply rewarding years, I have had the honor of leading one of the most renowned undergraduate choral programs in the country at Luther College. During my third and fourth years at Luther, I was invited by Bill Price to lead

choral festivals for Rochester-area churches. The first of these two was held at Autumn Ridge. In the spring of 2014, Bill accepted a call to serve in Georgia. I was contacted and asked to consider the opportunity to lead the ARC Choir and serve as worship leader for the Adoration Service. For almost two years, I have had the tremendous joy of giving leadership to the music and worship of the Adoration Service and working with both the choir and orchestra. What a blessing!

Last fall I received an email from Texas encouraging me to apply for the Director of Choral Studies position at the University of North Texas. The UNT College of Music has the largest enrollment of music majors of any program in the United States. It has a highly-respected choral program, as well as an excellent graduate

program in conducting, offering both masters and doctoral degrees in choral conducting.

After much prayer, I have accepted the invitation to join the faculty of the University of North Texas. As their Director of Choral Studies, I will conduct two choirs, administrate the overall choral program, and serve as the coordinator for the graduate program in choral conducting. The opportunity to mentor the next generation of choral conductors resonates

“For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven.”



deeply with my sense of vocation. The opportunity to be within a few hours of our extended family is also a wonderful blessing for my girls and me. I pray that God will allow me to serve in music ministry again, once we’ve relocated to Texas.

Please know of my profound gratitude for the opportunity to serve and to worship the Lord with you for these past two years. Please join us in praying for God’s blessings both upon ARC and upon the Hightowers, as we move forward in faith. Thank you, ARC for this season. “I thank my God, in all my remembrance of you.” Philippians 1:3.

We are grateful for Dr. Allen Hightower’s service to Autumn Ridge Church. He came at a time of uncertainty and brought stability when we needed it most. Allen clearly led us into the worship of our Lord and exuded joy that flowed out of his relationship with Christ. Thank you Dr. Hightower, for all the long car rides from Decorah that you endured in all kinds of weather, for bringing out the best in the musicians, and leading us to the foot of the cross.

- Pat Wester



SHiNE Time

Beth Huffman



This year SHiNE will be June 27-30 from 6:00-8:00 PM at Harriet Bishop Elementary School (406 36th Avenue NW, Rochester). Autumn Ridge families will be joined by local Rochester children and families to learn about Jesus and the Bible through large group presentations, doing crafts, sporting games, brain games, and various other activities.

Last year about 216 children attended SHiNE festival, and 22.2% of those attending were unchurched, or children who had no church home. Autumn Ridge staff and volunteers were able to reach these children, perhaps for the first time, telling them God's story.

What do you need to know about SHiNE?

1. Everyone is invited. Autumn Ridge families are encouraged to bring friends and neighbors. This is a wonderful family event, where as a congregation we reach out to the unchurched families in our community.
2. It is a free event. There is no cost to attend the SHiNE festival.
3. You may sign up at AutumnRidgeChurch.org/ministries/children/.

To put a community outreach program like SHiNE together, many hands are needed. We need volunteers to help with preparations ahead of time like copying materials, decorating the stage, and more. We also need volunteers the day of the event to help with set up and tear down, decorating, manning stations, registration, games, and more. If you would like to be part of this outreach or if you'd like more information, please contact us at: Children@AutumnRidgeChurch.org.

Little 7-year-old Lennon is riding her bike down the street by her house. She sees some activity at her school, Harriet Bishop Elementary School. She rides closer to see what is going on. She sees several people setting up tables and games. Lennon's interest is piqued. She rides up to one of the workers and asks what's going on. Marsha answers, "It's SHiNE time! Autumn Ridge Church is hosting a festival here at Harriet Bishop to tell everyone in the neighborhood about the good news of Jesus Christ. It will be Monday through Thursday night from 6:00-8:00 PM. Bring your family!" Lennon thought about how some of her friends from school talked about going to Sunday school to hear about Jesus. She was always curious to hear more about Him. Maybe now was the time to find out. Lennon rode her bike home to ask her parents if they would go with her to SHiNE festival.

Lennon and many others in the Rochester area will be attending SHiNE festival this summer. If you're anything like me, you're probably wondering, "What is SHiNE festival?" SHiNE stands for Sharing Hope in Neighborhoods; it gives Autumn Ridge the opportunity to bring the gospel to a Rochester neighborhood.

Sponsor Next Chapter Students Going to Summer Camp!

Each summer the kids and teens who participate at Next Chapter have the opportunity to go to camp. It's the highlight of the year for many of the students and has provided us with a beautiful time of deepening relationships and growing closer to Jesus.

Next Chapter has two camps planned for this summer, one for teens and one for elementary-aged students. The teenagers will be going to Rockridge Adventure Camp in Ely, MN, and the elementary-aged kids will be going to Camp Victory and Coyote Crossing Christian Ranch. It is our prayer that through these camps, relationships will grow stronger, pointing all involved to a relationship with Christ.

Camp costs about \$70/student, and we are planning for 20 students. If you are interested in sponsoring a student to go to camp, checks can be sent to Next Chapter, PO Box 9321, Rochester, MN 55903 (with "camp" written in the memo line).

For more information, call (507) 529-5799 or visit NextChapterRochester.org.

Next Chapter is committed to building lasting relationships with people that have been impacted by crime, restoring them to God, family, and community with the Gospel of God.



SPRING PLANTING

A disc rig from Bourquin Farms visits Autumn Ridge to prepare the soil for planting the season's corn crop. The Autumn Ridge congregation celebrates more than 100 years of farming at this site by retaining about 20 of the total 60 acres as productive cropland. Farmers practice crop rotation, a method that provides rest and balanced nutrients in the soil. For more information about the diversity of life at Autumn Ridge and a self-guided tour of the Autumn Ridge property, look for a LIFE at Autumn Ridge brochure near the skybridge entrance or visit: AutumnRidgeChurch.org/im-new/campus-tour

God Loves a Cheerful Giver

Pat Wester

Why is it that some people are uncomfortable when a pastor talks about money? Even articles on giving are often passed over. You might even be tempted to stop reading this article, but stay with me. While we might struggle to have an open discussion about money, the Gospels are full of stories and examples of wise uses of our finances. I may not know why discussing money causes us so much angst, but I do have some observations that I have gathered over the years.

Pressure: For the last several decades, we have had increasing pressure on our finances. If it isn't because of the economy, it is from having to pay more taxes. Sometimes it comes from an employment strain, while other times it is the increasing cost of living and raising kids. We are constantly barraged with advertising telling us how to spend our money or highlighting all the needs in the world today. Pictures of starving kids, refugee camps, abused animals, and war-torn areas can be heartbreaking.

Expectations: Recently I had a very good question from a member of our church, "What is the teaching of the church on giving?" Many teach that we should give a tenth of our income, which is the meaning of tithe. This comes directly

out of the Old Testament. Questions then arise as to whether it applies also to the New Testament Church, and is the tenth from my gross or net income? What about supporting missionaries and other organizations? Does that count?

Mark 12:41-44 records Jesus watching as people gave their offerings. Mark makes it a point to include how Jesus noted many rich people putting in large sums. After a poor widow,

who would have no job or means of support, put in a penny, Jesus called his disciples over and told them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on." Jesus never mentioned the percentage of income each was putting in, nor did he condemn

what the rich people gave. What he did do was commend the widow for sacrificing her money for God.

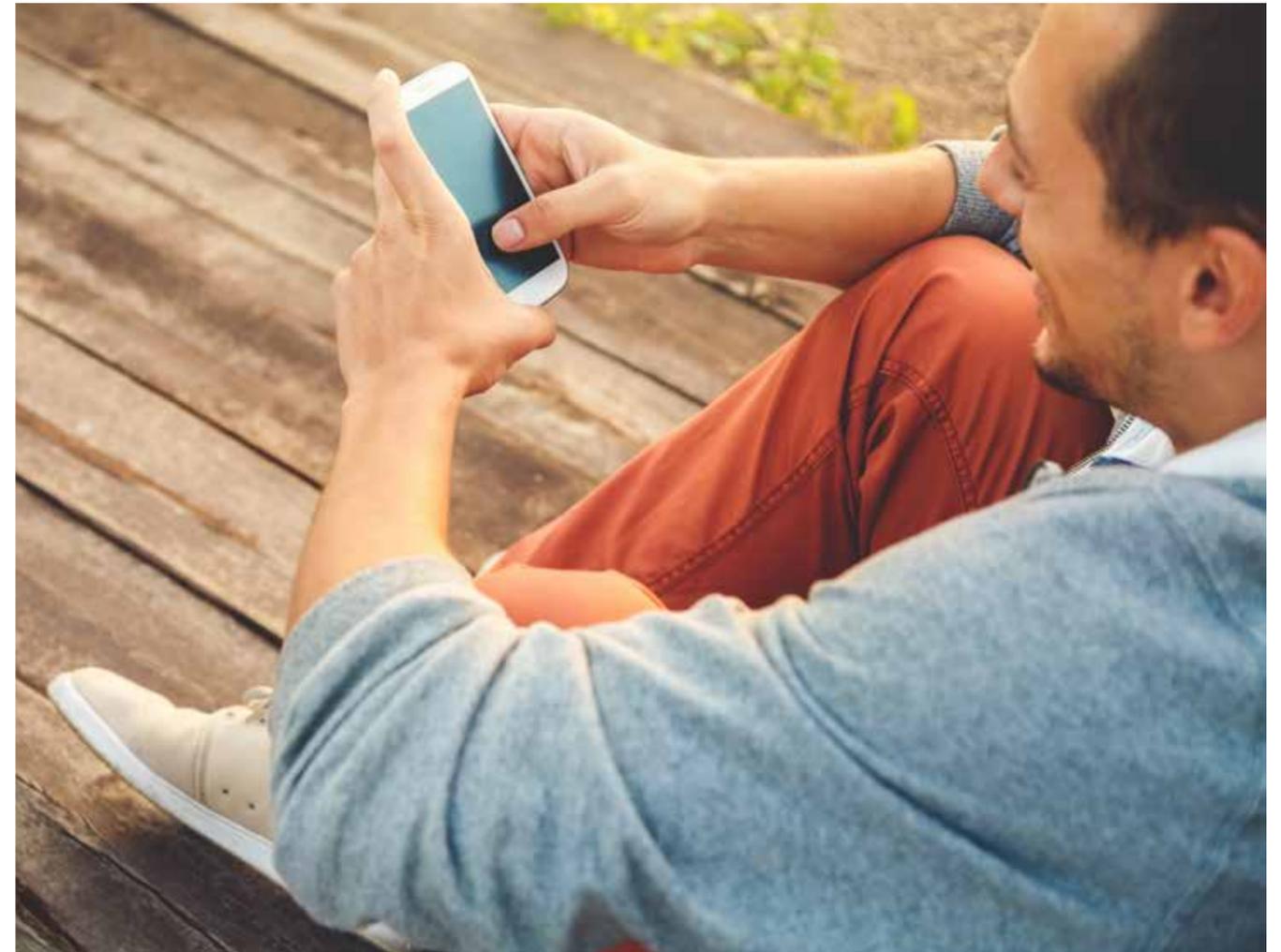
Fast forward a few decades to the life of Paul. He was collecting money from the Macedonians for the Christians in Jerusalem. He addresses how people should give towards the

work of the ministry. Paul says, "The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" (I Corinthians 9:6-7).

These two passages tell me God commends us when we give willingly, sacrificially, and cheerfully. When we give, we give generously because we know we can never out-give God. God has commissioned Autumn Ridge to be his hands and feet through your service, teaching, encouragement, generosity, leadership, and mercy (Romans 12:6-8). Together, we serve the Kingdom across the world through

our missionaries like Niles and Rachel in Cameroon, within the US like our youth mission trip to West Virginia this year, and locally through our backpack program, the benevolent fund, marriage ministry, personal pastoral outreach, and over a hundred other ministries serving our congregation and our community.

God has blessed us richly, and we, in turn, are blessing others with our resources. The truth is that conversations about money should not be uncomfortable. Jesus himself talks frequently about money and how it should be viewed.



Missionary Spotlight: Dick & Gloria P.



Dick and Gloria have been missionaries in the Philippines for more than 35 years. For the last ten years, they have been serving at Pathway, a local church plant in Mandaue City.

The 10th Anniversary celebration at Pathway was attended by over 200 people whose lives have been touched by their work there. Highlights of that event were a beautiful rendition of 'Amazing Grace' sung by the 8-year-old Little Miss Princess of the Philippines, an afternoon evangelism training, and the testimony of a teen girl who was struggling with suicidal thoughts until she came to the Lord through the ministry of Pathway teens. That particular story reveals the success of

the ministry, in that even teens are being discipled to make disciples. What a blessing to see God working in the hearts of the young people there!

This summer the Dick and Gloria will be on home assignment, and we are working on arrangements to have them here sometime soon. Watch for details coming later.

In the meantime, please pray for safe travels and for their ministry at Camp Karis, a private church campground where Dick serves as business manager. Needs there include security fencing and four new bunkhouses. Praise for one new bunkhouse already constructed and a new lawn mower, which is on its way.

We deeply appreciate your support of ARC missionaries who serve around the world, being hands and feet of Christ for us. Their work and your support truly have eternal value.

Interested in serving as a missionary? You could be one of our 20 by 2020 new missionaries. Contact us at Missions@AutumnRidgeChurch.org or call the church office at 288-8880.

SCIENCE CAMP

(FOR THOSE COMPLETING 3RD-5TH GRADE)

If investigating planets, making rocks, dissecting a heart, searching for crayfish, making rockets, and learning about weather sounds like fun, then don't miss this year's Science Camp. It will be held Monday, June 20th to Thursday, June 23rd. Kids can attend either 9:00-11:30 or 1:00-3:30. The cost is \$25.00 for materials. Register at AutumnRidgeChurch.com.



CREATION CAMP

(FOR THOSE COMPLETING K-5)

The folks from Living Waters Bible Camp will be back again this year to lead our children in a discovery of God's creation. There will be new activities as well as a few favorites from last year. Kids will explore the ponds and the prairie, while rotating around various stations that each point to another amazing aspect of God's creation. It will be held July 18 - 21 from 9:00 AM-noon. The cost is \$25.00 for materials. Register at AutumnRidgeChurch.com.



BAPTISMS

THERE WILL BE TWO LAKE BAPTISMS
THIS SUMMER.

August 3 at Family Camp
August 7, 6 pm at the Penz home
across the street from ARC

Several times in the weeks before these dates, we will be offering a required baptism class for those wanting to participate. If you'd like more information about either one of these baptism services or the classes, please contact Dorothy Morris at Morris.Dorothy@AutumnRidgeChurch.org or phone her at 288-8880.

PRAYER RALLY
Franklin Graham and the Decision America Tour is coming to our state capital.

DECISION AMERICA TOUR 2016
with Franklin Graham

"IF MY PEOPLE WHO ARE CALLED BY MY NAME WILL HUMBLE THEMSELVES, AND PRAY AND SEEK MY FACE, AND TURN FROM THEIR WICKED WAYS, THEN I WILL HEAR FROM HEAVEN, AND WILL FORGIVE THEIR SIN AND HEAL THEIR LAND." - 2 CHRONICLES 7:14

DATE: June 16, 2016 DecisionAmericaTour.com
TIME: NOON LOCATION: Capitol Mall-St Paul
Bus leaves ARC parking lot at 9:15 am; returns by 3pm. Register online at www.autumnridgechurch.org/events
#DecisionAmerica **Let's join him!**



Reading for the Month of June

Be a Disciple - Week 1

1. Matt 28:1-20
2. John 8:1-11
3. John 8:12-30
4. John 8:31-38
5. John 8:39-59
6. John 13:31-38
7. John 15:18-27

Live Like a Disciple - Week 2

1. John 16:1-15
2. John 16:16-24
3. John 16:25-33
4. Rom 7:7-25
5. Rom 13:8-14
6. Rom 14:13-23
7. Eph 6:10-23

The Cost of Sin and Redemption - Week 3

1. Rom 6
2. Gen 15
3. Rom 4:1-12
4. Rom 4:13-25
5. Rom 1:18-32
6. Rom 5:12-21
7. Cor I 15:12-28

Repent and be Baptized - Week 4

1. John 7:25-51
2. Ex 23:20-33
3. II Sam 24:1-25
4. Heb 9:11-27
5. Rom 10:1-15
6. Matt 3:1-17
7. Acts 8:26-40

Matthew 28:19-20

“Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

Romans 6:23

“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”



Upcoming Sermons

DATE	SERMON
June 4/5	#19 The Return Home
June 11/12	#20 The Queen of Beauty and Courage
June 18/19 - Father's Day Weekend	#21 Rebuilding the Walls
June 25/26	#22 The Birth of the King
July 2/3 - 4th of July Weekend	#23 Jesus' Ministry Begins
July 9/10	#24 No Ordinary Man
July 16/17	#26 The Hour of Darkness
July 23/24	Baptism Sermon
July 30/31 - Family Camp	#27 The Resurrection
August 6/7	#28 New Beginnings
August 13/14	#29 Paul's Mission
August 20/21	#30 Paul's Final Days
August 27/28	#31 The End of Time



JUNE SENIOR SAINTS BIRTHDAYS

JUNE 1 | PEARL HEIDEL
317 6th Avenue SW | Rochester, MN 55902

JUNE 5 | HELEN GUSA
120 4th St NE #133B-N | Stewartville, MN 55976

JUNE 13 | WAYNE THEDE
30 Silver Lake Pl NW #512-A | Rochester, MN 55901

JUNE 16 | LORRAINE LARSON
302 15th Street NE | Rochester, MN 55906

SUMMER MISSIONS

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS



MINNEAPOLIS TRIP JULY 21-JULY 24

Middle school students will be focusing their efforts on serving others and combating poverty by partnering with Salvation Army, 2nd Harvest, Marie Sandvick Center, and Feed My Starving Children.



WEST VIRGINIA JUNE 25-JULY 3

High school students will be supporting local families in need through construction projects such as painting, building, home repair, and church repair. The team will also minister to local children and community members by hosting an evangelistic sports camp.



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC JULY 10-19

High school students will be partnering with TIME ministries to construct two churches from the foundation up. This team will also minister in villages using faith stories, music, drama, and crafts to convey the message of God's love to the Dominican Nationals.



ECUADOR JULY 23-AUG 1

High school students will be partnering with Quito Quest Ministries, helping to build churches and homes for those in extremely needy communities. The team will also minister to surrounding villages using VBS, sports camps, and music to convey the message of God's love to locals.